Town of Lunenburg

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION P.O. Box 135 Lunenburg, MA 01462-0135



Jeffrey Mendoza, Chairman Garrett Stillman, Vice-Chairman Maureen Dupuis, Clerk Douglas MacMillan, Member Renee Trakimas, Member

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION November 20, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Posted: Yes Place: The Ritter Building

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Present: J. Mendoza, D. MacMillan, R. Trakimas, M. Dupuis.

Minutes Approval: Motion to approve with correction of next scheduled meeting date from July 17, 2014 to November 20, 2014 by M. Dupuis , Second by D. MacMillan. October 16, 2014 Minutes approved as amended.

Sheri Bean of the Montachusett Regional Planning Commission presented on behalf of Central Mass Grown, a new initiative designed to promote the purchase of local agricultural products and to educate citizens of the benefits local agriculture has on their health, community, economy, and environment. She provided literature as well as membership forms and asked the Ag Comm to help the organization grow by sharing with others. Members range from farms, to restaurants, to individuals and more. They are easily located on Facebook as well as online at www.centralmassgrown.org. They are currently working with students from WPI and hope to have an app for smartphones in the future.

M. Dupuis presented the Ag license plate MDAR is trying to bring to the Mass RMV.

The grant monies for our RTF signs has come through. Treasurer Brochu opened an Ag Comm "account" to deposit the check into.

A meeting with the BOS will be scheduled through Town Manager Spiedel to present the 201 5 Ag Comm program for approval.

Jacobson's Farm dispute – J. Carrier of the Conservation Commission notified Chairman Mendoza that there is a dispute regarding some agricultural property on Howard Street and will provide the Ag Comm with the concerned party's written letter as soon as she is able to locate it.

The next meeting of the Lunenburg Agricultural Commission was scheduled for Thursday December 18, 2014 at 7pm in the Ritter Building.

Motion to adjourn was made by M. Dupuis and seconded but D. MacMillan.

Respectfully Submitted, Maureen C. Dupuis